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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application Number	09/511,267
Filing Date	February 23, 2000
First Named Inventor	EICHER et al.
Art Unit	3743
Examiner Name	T. Mitchell
Attorney Docket Number	0652.2020002/ALF

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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- a. ☒ Deposit Account No. 19-0036

- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

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- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

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- iii. ☐ Other _____

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- c. ☒ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Name (Print/Type)	Albert L. Ferro	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	44,679
Signature		Date	March 10, 2004

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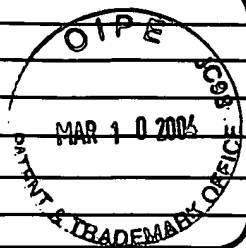
Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 770.00

Complete if Known

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☐ Check ☒ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☒ Other** ☐ None

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
		1001	770	Utility filing fee	
		1002	340	Design filing fee	
		1003	530	Plant filing fee	
		1004	770	Reissue filing fee	
		1005	160	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					0.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	- 20 **=	X	
Multiple Dependent	- 3 **=	X	

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
		1202	18	Claims in excess of 20
		1201	86	Independent claims in excess of 3
		1203	290	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
		1204	86	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
		1205	18	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 0.00

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
		1051	130	2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
		1052	50	2052 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
		1053	130	1053 130 Non-English specification	
		1812	2,520	1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
		1804	920*	1804 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
		1805	1,840*	1805 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
		1251	110	2251 55 Extension for reply within first month	
		1252	420	2252 210 Extension for reply within second month	
		1253	950	2253 475 Extension for reply within third month	
		1254	1,480	2254 740 Extension for reply within fourth month	
		1255	2,010	2255 1,005 Extension for reply within fifth month	
		1401	330	2401 165 Notice of Appeal	
		1402	330	2402 165 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
		1403	290	2403 145 Request for oral hearing	
		1451	1,510	1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
		1452	110	2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
		1453	1,330	2453 665 Petition to revive - unintentional	
		1501	1,330	2501 665 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
		1502	480	2502 240 Design issue fee	
		1503	640	2503 320 Plant issue fee	
		1460	130	1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
		1807	50	1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
		1806	180	1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
		8021	40	8021 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
		1809	770	2809 385 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
		1810	770	2810 385 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
		1801	770	2801 385 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	770.00
		1802	900	1802 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$) 770.00

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